## RESOLUTION NO. 697

WHEREAS, Operation Desert Shield began on August 7, 1990, after Saddam Hussein's Republican Guard and Army invaded the kingdom of Kuwait on August 2, 1990; and

WHEREAS, between August 7, 1990, and February 28, 1991, United States forces engaged in Operation Desert Shield, the Battle of Bubiyan Island, the Battle of Medina Ridge, the Battle of Wadi al-Batin, the Battle of Norfolk, the Battle of Khafji, the Battle of 73 Easting, the Battle of Al Busayyah, the Battle of Phase Line Bullet, and Operation Desert Storm; and

WHEREAS, more than two million three hundred thousand Americans served during Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, one hundred forty-seven Americans were killed in action during that time, four hundred sixty-seven were wounded, and forty-one were prisoners of war; and

WHEREAS, eight Washington State residents were killed in action between August 1990 and February 1991, who were Lee Arthur Belas, Sergeant, U.S. Army, Port Orchard, Doran Hilaire Bolduc, U.S. Navy, Monroe, Ardon Bradley Cooper, PFC, U.S. Army, Seattle, Joshua John Fleming, Private, U.S. Army, Kent, Eric Douglas Hedeen, First Lieutenant, U.S. Air Force, Malaga, Dustin Craig Lamoureaux, PFC, U.S. Army, Bremerton, Michael Neal Monroe, First Lieutenant, U.S. Marine Corps, Auburn, John Kendall Morgan, WO1, U.S. Navy, Bellevue; and

WHEREAS, Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm ceased on February 28, 1991, with a unilateral cease fire called by the Allies; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor the service and sacrifice of Washington State Desert Shield and Desert Storm veterans who served in that war with such valor and distinction; and

WHEREAS, the sixty-first Legislature passed and the Governor signed Substitute House Joint Memorial 4004 requesting the Transportation Commission to commence proceedings to name state route number 110 in Clallam county between the junction of state route number 101 and the junction of state route number 110 by and through the Quileute Indian Reservation in the community of La Push the "Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm Memorial Highway" to honor the service and sacrifices of all who served in that war;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Washington State Transportation Commission does hereby name state route number 110 the "Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm Memorial Highway".

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Washington State Transportation Commission requests the Department of Transportation to provide signing reflecting this naming designation accordingly.

ADOPTED this 18th day of May, 2010.

WASHINGTON STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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